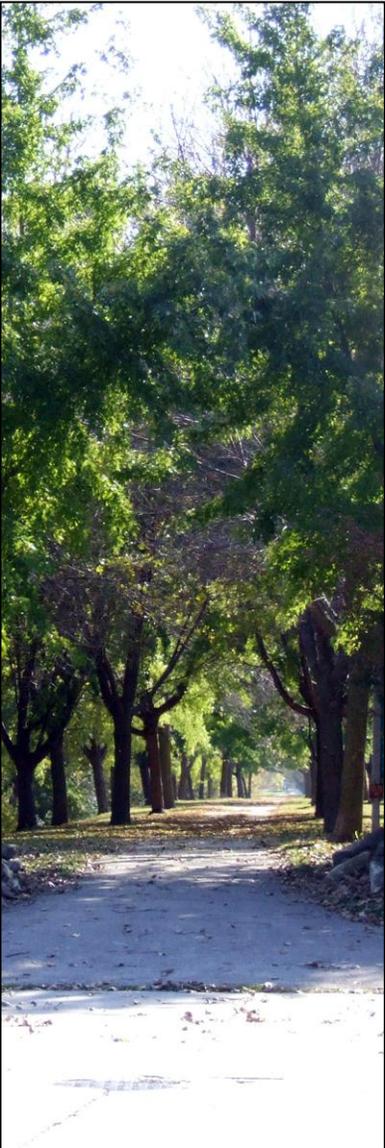


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## Executive Summary



Bicycling and walking are inexpensive, non-polluting forms of transportation and recreation that are accessible to nearly everyone. Children, many elderly and those without access to motor vehicles can rely on cycling and walking as an autonomous form of transportation. Other residents may rely on cycling for transportation due to its low cost, sustainability, or simply the joy of being on a bike. In addition to transportation, residents of all ages and abilities commonly participate in cycling, walking and running activities as a form of recreation and exercise.

For cycling and walking to be viable forms of transportation and recreation, there must be facilities that allow residents to safely and comfortably participate in these activities and reach their destinations. The Village of Pleasant Prairie recognizes the importance of providing these options for its citizens. Focused on bicycling and walking, the *2010 Bicycle and Pedestrian Trails Plan* demonstrates the Village's commitment to providing facilities for walking and cycling. Based on current development as well as future development outlined in the *2035 Village of Pleasant Prairie Comprehensive Plan*, this plan proposes a ten-fold increase in facilities designated for bicycle and pedestrian use. The plan also details encouragement, education, enforcement and evaluation programs and recommendations to boost bicycle ridership and walking within the Village.

The primary goal of this plan is to:

*Establish and maintain a safe, comprehensive and integrated bicycle and pedestrian trail network that encourages the use of bicycles and walking for commuting, recreation and other trips.*



A series of eight specific objectives and 27 policies are recommended in Chapter 6 to achieve this goal. Primary among these recommendations is the development of a robust and well-connected system of on-street bicycle lanes and off-street shared-use paths that tie together current and future Village neighborhoods, recreation areas, commercial areas and employment centers. The development of this network will allow residents to quickly and safely travel around the Village on bike or foot, no matter what their destination or the reason for their trip.

By proactively planning for bicycle and pedestrian facilities and programs and policies that encourage cycling and walking, Pleasant Prairie is demonstrating a commitment to offering Village residents and visitors accessible, environmentally friendly and inexpensive transportation and recreation options.

